



## ***City of Gaithersburg***

31 South Summit Avenue  
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877

### Mayor and City Council Work Session Minutes City Hall - Council Chambers Monday, July 22, 2013

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#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A work session of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Katz presiding. Council Members present: Ashman, Drzyzgula, Marraffa, Sesma, and Spiegel. Staff present: City Manager Tomasello, City Attorney Board, and Sustainability Planner Backe. Pepco representatives present: Jerry Pasternak, Vice President Pepco Region – Maryland, and Susan Marinelli, Energy Wise Rewards Program Manager.

Mayor Katz announced that Thomas Chapin and Jake Kuserk from Boy Scout Troup 781 were in attendance and thanked them for being there.

#### **II. ANNOUNCEMENT**

##### **A. Spectrum at Watkins Mill Tour - July 29th**

Mayor Katz announced that members of the City Council, Planning Commission, and City staff have been invited to participate in an on-site visit of the new development Spectrum at Watkins Mill on Monday, July 29th at 7:30 p.m.

The Spectrum at Watkins Mill is a mixed use development located at the intersection of Watkins Mill Road and North Frederick Avenue. When complete, the development will feature over 600 apartments, restaurants and retail stores. The signature feature of the development is Performer's Park – a gathering space that includes a programmable splash fountain and a performance stage. Tours of the development project and light refreshments will be provided.

The event will take place on-site at 230 Spectrum Avenue, in the Library at Paramount East. As this is an active construction site, attendees are asked to wear close-toed shoes for safety purposes. The public is invited to attend, but we ask that attendees register in advance. Please contact Planning Division Chief Lauren Pruss by the close of business on Friday, July 26th at 301-258-6330.

**III. DISCUSSION TOPIC****A. PEPCO Energy Savings Programs**

Susan Marinelli presented an overview of the EMPOWER Maryland requirements and Pepco's application of funds to meet EMPOWER Maryland goals through energy savings programs for residential, commercial and industrial customers, including the Peak Energy Savings Credit Program and Energy Wise Rewards. Responding to questions from the City Council, Jerry Pasternak provided an update of Pepco's completed system reliability improvements and scheduled work. He further discussed the recent rate case and the programs and improvements which will be funded through the approved Grid Resiliency Charge.

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE****A. From Staff****B. Outside****V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before this session of the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:35 p.m.